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IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Hiromi IKADAI et al. Group: 1645  
Application No.: 09/807,459 Examiner: P. Baskar  
Filed: June 14, 2001 Confirmation No.: 7623  
For: GENE ENCODING MEROZOITE PROTEIN OF BABESIA CABALLI,  
RECOMBINANT PROTEIN OBTAINED THEREFROM AND UTILIZATION  
THEREOF

**LETTER TO THE OFFICIAL DRAFTSPERSON**  
**REQUESTING APPROVAL OF FORMAL DRAWINGS**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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Sir:

In reviewing the above-captioned application file upon allowance, it appears that the drawing(s) filed in this case are acceptable, however no mention of the drawing(s) has been made.

If our understanding is incorrect, it is requested that the Commissioner notify the undersigned immediately so that appropriate and timely action may be taken.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. §1.17.

Respectfully submitted,

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